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### Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of

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For: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR DETECTING OPTICAL DATA AND

READING-WRITING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DATA

### Enclosed are:

Specification and Claim(s).

☑ Oath or Declaration (Unexecuted).

 $\square$  An assignment of the invention.

☐ Preliminary Amendment.

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## PATENT APPLICATION

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# CLAIM TO PRIORITY UNDER 35 U.S.C. 119

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Sir:

The benefit of the filing dates of the following prior applications filed in the following foreign country are hereby requested and the right of priority provided under 35 U.S.C. 119 is hereby claimed:

Japanese Patent Appl. No. P2000-321364 filed October 20,2000 Japanese Patent Appl. No. P2001-193898 filed June 27, 2001

In support of this claim, filed herewith are certified copies of said original foreign applications.

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